

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: E. Barton Manchester  
Serial No.: 09/583,445  
Filing Date: May 30, 2000  
Group Art Unit: 2182  
Confirmation No.: 1676  
Examiner: Tammara R. Peyton  
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ACTIVATING A  
LINE CARD

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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Office Action mailed March 10, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following comments and amendments as set forth below.